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SUBJ: PRESS REPORT ON CONGRESSIONAL PROPOSAL FOR TREATY BANNING
UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTS

1. AUSTRALIAN PRESS JUNE 9 CARRIED REPORT FROM WASHINGTON
STATING THAT 50 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS HAD ENDORSED STUDY CALLING
FOR HALT TO U. S. AND SOVIET UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTS, AS
WELL AS COMPREHENSIVE TREATY BANNING UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTS,
WITH PROVISION OF ESCAPE CLAUSE IF VITAL NATIONAL INTERESTS
IN JEOPARDY.

2. COMMENT: IN ITS OPPOSITION TO FRENCH NUCLEAR TESTS IN PACIFIC,
GOA HAS BEGUN TO MOVE STEADILY TOWARDS OPPOSITION TO NUCLEAR
WEAPONS TESTING IN ALL FORMS. IF PROPOSAL REFERRED TO IN
AUSTRALIAN PRESS ATTRACTS MUCH ATTENTION IN U. S., INTEREST OF GOA
WILL CERTAINLY BE ATTRACTED, GIVEN PRESENT DIRECTION OF POLICY.
WOULD APPRECIATE COPY OF STUDY REFERRED TO ABOVE.
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